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In the disclosure:

Please change the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 24 as follows:

--The invention provides a method and equipment by which a wireless telecommunication device communicates with another telecommunication device using a bearer (i.e. a technology/ network, such as a Bluetooth network or a UMTS ~~network~~, network) that is automatically selected in case of more than one possible bearer. With the invention, a user is freed from the burden of having to select a bearer by which to communicate with another user, e.g. a bearer such as either Bluetooth or a UMTS network for sending a message using SMS. The invention provides a contacts database that maps or associates other users to possible communication technologies/ bearers. One aspect of these associations is that once two users have exchanged associations, they may use services via proximity technologies and wide area technologies seamlessly and without special effort.--